

NOVEMBER 2018 AWARDS MONTHLY

1. Gold Wreath of Honor: Officer Wesley A. Jensen #2273

Bronze Wreath of Valor: Officer Christopher R. German #2567, Officer Jason P. Harris #2009

Certificate of Commendation: Officer Eric J. Little #2015, Officer Alex E. Gardinier #2495, Officer Dean J. Keith #2480, Officer Cory M. Masterson #2280

The abovementioned officers were nominated for their actions in response to an off-duty officer in trouble call on 07/03/18. While off-duty at his residence, Officer Wesley Jensen and his family were asleep. Officer Jensen went into his living room where he was confronted by a stranger who was brandishing a firearm. Officer Jensen was placed on the ground at gunpoint. The intruder then went towards the bedrooms where Officer Jensen's family was sleeping. Officer Jensen was able to get to a spare bedroom where his duty weapon was kept secured. He emerged from the bedroom and met the intruder in the hallway where they began to exchange gunfire in which both Officer Jensen and the intruder were hit. The intruder retreated into the master bedroom, still armed upon which Officer Jensen advanced and discharged more rounds into the bedroom where the intruder had taken cover. As his family was evacuating, Officer Jensen was able to take line of sight down the hallway to the bedroom and his actions allowed his family to safely exit the house. Officer German was the first officer on scene. Without hesitation, Officer German entered the residence and contacted Officer Jensen to tend to his wounds and apply a field tourniquet. After tending to Officer Jensen, Officer German moved towards the intruder's location with Officer Harris assisting as he had also arrived on scene. Officers German and Harris moved into the bedroom where the intruder was laying and were able to secure the weapon and place the intruder into custody and secure the scene so that EMS could move in. As Officers German and Harris were securing the scene, Officer Little arrived to tend to Officer Jensen. Officer Keith also arrived and was able to retrieve a backboard from EMS. While officers were inside the house securing the intruder and tending to Officer Jensen, Officer Masterson was taking care of Officer Jensen's family, keeping the kids busy and calming Officer Jensen's wife down. During this investigation, Officer Gardinier was working an auto burglary north of Officer Jensen's residence and determined that it was connected to the shooting.